

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-19 (Canceled).

20. (Previously Amended) A baby holding device comprising:

a pillow body having a medial region and two opposing curved arms extending from the medial region that define an inner well region, wherein the curved arms have rounded ends that are spaced apart from each other so as to generally face each other; and

a securing system operably coupled to the pillow body, wherein the securing system comprises a seat coupled to the pillow body and disposed within the well region, and a center holding strap extending from the seat that is configured to be placed between the baby's legs so as to extend over at least a portion of the baby's torso and be operably coupled directly to the opposing arms of the pillow body to hold the baby in the seat within the well region, and wherein the center holding strap is sized so as to substantially cover the front of the baby's lower torso and crotch region.

21. (Previously Presented) A device as in claim 20, wherein the securing system further comprises connectors located on the curved arms that are connectable to mating connectors on the center holding strap.

22. (Original) A device as in claim 21, wherein the connectors comprise buckle connectors.

Claim 23 (Canceled).

24. (Previously Presented) A device as in claim 20, wherein the seat comprises a fabric sewn to the arms and the medial region.

25. (Previously Presented) A device as in claim 20, wherein the center strap is coupled to the seat at a location to permit the baby's feet to hang from the seat.

26. (Withdrawn) A device as in claim 20, further comprising a hood operably coupled to the pillow.

27. (Withdrawn) A device as in claim 26, wherein the hood is foldable.

28. (Original) A device as in claim 20, wherein the medial region has a height in the range from about 1 inches to about 10 inches and a width in the range from about 4 inches to about 10 inches.

29. (Original) A device as in claim 20, wherein the arms have a height in the range from about 1 inches to about 6 inches, a width in the range from about 4 inches to about 10 inches, and a length in the range from about 10 inches to about 20 inches.

30. (Original) A device as in claim 20, wherein the well region has a width in the range from about 4 inches to about 12 inches and a length in the range from about 4 inches to about 12 inches.

31. (Previously Presented) A device as in claim 20, wherein the pillow body further comprises a fabric shell encasing a fill material.

Claims 32.-35.(Canceled).

36. (Previously Amended) A baby holding device comprising:  
a pillow body having a medial region and two opposing curved arms extending from the medial region that define an inner well region, wherein the curved arms have rounded ends that are spaced apart from each other so as to generally face each other; and

a securing system operably coupled to the medial region of the pillow body, wherein the securing system comprises a center holding strap extending within the inner well region to form a seat that is configured to at least partially support the baby while positioned within the baby holding device and to be placed around at least a portion of the baby's torso, and wherein the center holding strap has a free end that is configured to be operably secured directly back to the pillow body, and wherein the center holding strap is sized so as to substantially cover the front of the baby's lower torso and crotch region.

37. (Original) A device as in claim 36, wherein the medial region has a height in the range from about 1 inches to about 10 inches and a width in the range from about 4 inches to about 10 inches.

38. (Original) A device as in claim 36, wherein the arms have a height in the range from about 1 inches to about 6 inches, a width in the range from about 4 inches to about 10 inches, and a length in the range from about 10 inches to about 20 inches.

39. (Original) A device as in claim 36, wherein the well region has a width in the range from about 4 inches to about 12 inches and a length in the range from about 4 inches to about 12 inches.

40. (Previously presented) A device as in claim 36, wherein the pillow body further comprises a fabric shell encasing a fill material.

41. (Canceled).

42. (Previously Presented) A device as in claim 20, wherein the center holding strap of the securing system is operably coupled directly to the opposing arms of the pillow body *via* hook and loop fasteners.

43. (Previously Presented) A device as in claim 36, wherein the free end of the center holding strap of the securing system is operably coupled directly back to the pillow body *via* hook and loop fasteners.